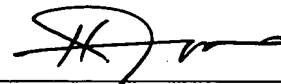


REMARKS

In response to September 15, 1998 Office Communication regarding compliance with the Sequence Rules, applicants have enclosed a substitute computer readable form (CRF), a substitute paper copy of the "Sequence Listing" and have amended the specification to incorporate the substitute "Sequence Listing". In addition, applicants have enclosed a statement that the content of the substitute CRF and the substitute paper copy are the same and do not include new matter.

Applicants believe that the pending claims are in condition for allowance. Should that not be the case, and should any unresolved issues remain, Applicants hereby request that the Examiner contact the undersigned attorney at (908) 298-5061.

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